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The Forward O. P.

Here's some advance dope on the Races. I heard that a bit of horse trading, or perhaps turtle trading, went on at Don Houghton's station last Sunday. The way I got it, Don sold a fast looking mount to Cliff Suffdy and then offered a small wager on a race between that one and another mount in Don's stable. Suffdy is now looking for a speedier entry. Incidentally, Suffdy is driving a brand new truck these days.

And speaking of new vehicles, have you noticed the Studebaker that Mildred Jaffe brought home last week?

I can't understand why the poor little sidewinders and other forms of rattlesnake life upset the ladies so. After all they, the ladies that is, wear snake skin shoes, belts, and carry snake skin handbags, too. And. believe it or not, rattle snake meat is delicious, providing the snake didn't bite himself before kicking the bucket. The meat tastes like a combination of chicken and fish.

Sheppard to Seek Reelection

In response to many inquiries from friends in the 21st Congressional District Harry R. Sheppard of Yucaipa, member of the House of Representatives, has announced his intention to present himself to the voters for reelection.

"I am very grateful", said Sheppard, "to my friends in San Bernardino County and the portion of Los Angeles County, which comprises the 21st Congressional District, who recently completed and filed my nomination petitions on both the Democratic and Republican tickets.

"As I have been honored to represent this District in the House of Representatives for the past twelve years, I presently enjoy an enviable position under the seniority rights which go with those years of service. I am now the 5th ranking minority member on the House Appropriations Committee, function as the ranking min-

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Drivers Get Licenses At 29 Palms, Apr. 30

Officials of the Highway Patrol will be at the Josh Barn Friday, April 30th, to issue drivers licenses.

Joshua Tree Ready For Race Crowds

Pierpoints Open Modern Trailer Court

A well equipped, modern trailer court on the Hiway just a mile west of the Joshua Tree post office has been opened this week by Mr. and Mrs. Roy V. Pierpoint. Coming from Culver City the Pierponits have resided in Joshua Tree since March 1st, 1947.

The newest addition to the business activities of Joshua Tree and the desert is called Valley Vista Village. Erected on the gentle slope overlooking the town the trailer court will have accomodations for thirty trailers. On the five acre tract are tiled showers, a service building equipped with automatic electric washing machines, individual water and electric connections and large concrete patios. The facilities are the finest in the state, say the owners.

Here at Valley Vista Village the trailerite may come and spend a day or a year in the finest climate in the desert.

Lindberg - O'Hara To Occupy New Quarters

The Columbia Square Real Estate Company, a firm in which G. A. Lindberg and J. G. R. O'Hara are associated will open their new. modern office building to the public on May 1st or 2nd. They invite all visitors to the Turtle Races to inspect their attractive quarters on 29 Palms Hiway near El Reposo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindberg have been residents of Joshua Tree since October 1943, except for two years when the auditing of an estate required Mr. Lindberg to be away. Before obtaining a real estate brokers license Lindberg was an insurance agent and accountant in this area. He erected the first business sign in Joshua Tree. Before coming here the Lindbergs lived in Los Angeles.

Residents of Joshua Tree for several months Mr. and Mrs. J. G. R. O'Hara are also former Los Angelenos. For many years he was active in subdividing in East Los Angeles. Prior to that O'Hara helped develop Beverly Hills Heights. More recently he has been associated with Hamilton Sales Corporation.

Built by V. R. Hayes, contractor, the new office structure is of pumice tile block. Steel casement windows on the sides and plate glass view windows in front permit a view of the knotty pine pan-

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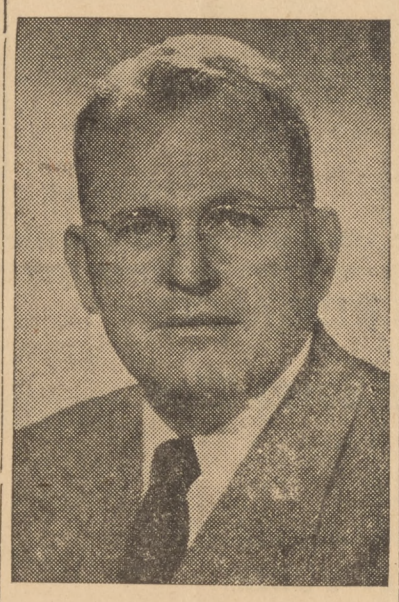
Turtles Tapering Off After Training for Speed Events

Louise Williams, Joshua Tree beauty, obligingly poses with Old Ironsides, one of the favored contestants in the Sweepstakes, Sunday, May 2nd.

Judge Keller Declares for Congress



Seeking the GOP nomination as representative in Congress from the 21st District William D. Keller of Lancaster takes a definite stand in stating his political views. In announcing his candidacy Keller states, "I believe in the two major party system of democratic government, and I am bitterly opposed to the cross filing permitted by the California primary law. Either you're a Republican or a Democrat in national and state politics."

The congressional candidate has been a resident of the 21st district since 1920. Four times Bill Keller has been elected to the office of Justice of the Peace: The first time was in 1934, when reputedly he was the youngest Judge in any court of the state; he was reelected over three opponents in 1938; elected to a third term in 1942, he resigned and enlisted in the Air Force; he was appointed to his former office by the Board of Supervisors in January of 1946 upon returning to civilian status, and the voters reelected him for a fourth term without opposition.

Numbered among condidate Keller's qualifications are an AB degree from the University of Southern California; an LLB degree from George Washington University Law school in Washington, D.C., where he is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and where he practiced law prior to his gradu-

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Dark Horses Figured to Upset Favorites

Interest is at fever height as all of Joshua Tree prepares for an expected influx of thousands of Southlanders who will witness the 3rd running of the world famous Grand National Turtle Race Sweepstakes here on Sunday, May 2nd. This great event which draws turtle lovers from all over the country is sponsored yearly by the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce. It has been well publicized by news items, advertising space, radio broadcasts, posters, bumper cards and word of mouth.

Motels and merchants are prepared for a record attendance. The concessionaires who will occupy the booths along the midway are ready to feed and slake the thirst of ringside spectators and railbirds.

The corral near the entry gate of the race course has been filling rapidly with wise old veterans of former races and "maidens" with no known racing experience. Many owners are keeping their entries under cover, holding secret speed trials. No form sheets are available but the dopesters will be busy when the first race starts at 1:30 Sunday afternoon.

North and south of the circular course at the intersection of Park Boulevard and Commercial street stretches the Midway. Here will be the Chamber of Commerce information booth and the exhibit of the National Park Service attended by a uniformed ranger. Frank Givens, csutodian of the Joshua Tree National Monument, has promised an interesting display. Across the way the Women's Club will have one booth at which bazaar items will be displayed to tempt the feminine visitors, and next to it they will offer sandwiches and coffee, pies, cake, cookies, light meals and other delectable viands for the hungry. At the PTA concession the thirsty traveler may cool his tonsils with lemonade, snack between meals on pop corn balls or buy a souvenir turtle. The Sportsman Club will have a double booth to handle the popular summer drinks, beer, coke and other soft drinks.

Around the track will be the booth in which Nancy White, noted author, dramatist and nationally known psycho-analyst, will tell you your real vocation and what the future holds for you. The Bunker Land Company will be represented with a booth at which information

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The Personal Touch

Jack and Bob Crane went to Lake Havasu for a weekend of fishing. They returned on Monday.

Mrs. H. K. Lee did a little volunteer fire fighting last Monday when she had to extinguish a blaze started by the sun rays that were focused thru the bottom of a fruit jar in a cardboard box. No damage was done to the Lee home at Sunburst and Commercial.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt, Jeanette Clark and Frank Leyhe enjoyed a steak fry in the Monument at Stubby Springs last Monday night.

Larry Gray left last Friday for the big city but was back in Joshua Tree for the weekend.

Armstrong Linoleum—Lyons Furn.

V. R. Hayes, Joshua Tree contractor, was taken to San Bernardino hospital last Thursday in the local ambulance. Cleta Clark was the attendant and Bob Duesler drove. The trip was authorized by Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith of 29 Palms.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Downer of Los Angeles spent the weekend at their cottage on Valley View.

Mrs. Evelyn Hartshorn of Long Beach is visiting her daughter, Jeanette Clark, for a week.

Visiting her sister, Mrs. Joe Arch for several weeks is Emma Dernovsek of Sheldon, Wisconsin. This is her first trip to the desert where few taxicabs are to be hailed.

Watch for the Opening of
Yucca Valley Liquor Store

The Hubert Aldridges autoed to El Monte Sunday to visit Hubert's mother. Madge Rees accompanied them as far as Yucaipa

At Valley View Motel from Los Angeles for the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. George Mull who are building a new home on Sunrise Terrace and Mr. and Mrs. William Howard, their son Billy and daughter Joy.

Pfc Donald Walker, son of Mrs. Charles Hanna, was recently selected to attend the Signal School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, according to an Army letter to the Journal.

W. Robb of Lomita is a real booster for the desert after two weeks absorbing the sunshine here. He came out to rest up for a back operation but says that he doesn't need it. Robb is a brother of Mrs. Mary Wheeler.

Florence Huntington of Bakersfield is in Joshua Tree for an indefinite visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wheeler.

Josephine Jackson and Mrs. C. R. Herdman are having some remodelling done on their Mira Monte Courts. The exteriors are receiving a stucco finish and will be painted a light color to harmonize with the desert surroundings. The showers are being refinished, too.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rodigliero spent the weekend looking over our desert. He is a former newspaper editor and publisher from Chicago.

Bloom and Duval are building a weekend cottage in the foot hills for Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lafferty and sons toured to Long Beach and Los Angeles for the weekend. They returned Sunday.

At Desert Air Lodge the guest list included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rovere, Mrs. May Beckwith, Mrs. Joan St. John, and George W. Phelps, all of Los Angeles; and Mr. and Mrs. Rawalk and daughter of South Gate.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Ed A. Underwood of Balboa were weekend guests at Lou Housleys cottage. Mr. Underwood is with his father in Underwood Supply Co. of L.A. Robert attends UCLA.

Returning from a C of C directors meeting last Tuesday George Beard killed a side winder with seven rattles in his back yard — it was evidently enjoying the moonlight.

Harry Wheeler was busy at rattlesnake extermination, also. While disposing of one in his yard his wife, visiting Mrs. Tom Gidney, saw another down there and yelled for Harry. He rushed down the hill and added it to his collection. It is rumored that Mrs. Wheeler doesn't like snakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Dege of South Gate spent the week at their cottage on Valley View Circle. They told the Journal that they missed their former neighbors, the Venice Hoovers and their well-mannered youngsters.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ellingwood of Watsonville and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Guyer of Hutsonville, Illinois, were Journal visitors last week. They were looking at their property in section 19 northeast of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Terrazza and family have moved into the Webb ranch in Sun Valley until their home is ready.

Wilfred Brown, writer of newscasts for KHJ and the Mutual network, and his wife Eleanor, poetess and photographer, spent the weekend in the National Monument, and in Joshua Tree visiting Howard Way. They also camped awhile by the Salton Sea.

Guests at Golden Tree Lodge for the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hulka of Los Angeles. They are old friends of Steve Moninger. Also at the Lodge was Marion Turner who made the trip from the city with Chester R. Bunker.

Jack Riley and family of Los Angeles spent Sunday on our desert visiting Cliff Suffdy.

At Mira Monte Courts were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vaughn of Santa Ana, Mrs. Genevieve Olson and Mrs. Louise Getzens of Los Angeles.

At LeOrra Courts last week the guests were George Lask of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Don Carroll and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pashalke of Hawthorne; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Billie of Long Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vranga of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bray of El Monte; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. R. Martini of Los Angeles; Frank P. Broom of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bartlett and Charles Strohl of Los Angeles.

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Yucca Valley Notes

By A. R. HOLLENBACK

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeze spent Thursday in Santa Ana with friends who helped them celebrate their 36th wedding anniversary.

L. Buchanan spent Thursday in Los Angeles buying new spring merchandise for the store.

Guests last week at the Hatrack Motel were Albert von Raplee of San Pedro, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kirby of Los Angeles, Marjory Judge and Jerry Winters of Santa Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wallace of Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Reed of Buena Park, Mrs. D. Kokx and daughter of Fullerton, Miss Jean Maggard of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Frances Lamberty.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Clark spent a day last week visiting relatives in Los Angeles.

Bud Linsley and his father are making good progress on their home on Hopi Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanders spent a few days last week in San Diego and Long Beach.

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Included in the guest list at Lombardo Motel were Mr. and Mrs. J. Cippole and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lombard of Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Leonard of Redlands. Mr. and Mrs. A. Thomas of La Canada, Mr. and Mrs. R. Godbe, Ethel Peck and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. N. Fisher, all of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bachu of Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Taylor of Santa Ana, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peck of Pasadena. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Perry of Alhambra, Mr.and Mrs. J. McLaughlin of San Pedro and Mr. and Mrs. George Eades of Santa Ana.

Bob Gems of East Los Angeles spent a few days last week with August Nett.

In New York for several weeks Mrs. George Racine is visiting her children and friends.

Charles Watkins will move into his new insurance office about the first of the month. Oscar Engle is constructing the building near the Tract office.

Thirty five friends attended a surprise farewell party for A. R. Hollenback last Wednesday at the Hollenback home in Yucca Valley. Mr. Hollenback leaves soon to enter the Civil Service for duty on the island of Guam. Refreshments were served thruout the evening. Mrs. Hollenback will remain in Yucca to conduct the business.

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Morongo Valley Notes

By GLADYS ULRICH

In honor of the sixth birthday of their daughter, Doris, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carter were hosts to several of her young friends last week. Games were played after which refreshments were served.

Evelyn Welcher is bottle feeding five week-old orphans. They were deprived of their natural diet when the mother dog was killed by a car last week. It is reported that the bottles are kept busy.

Chrome Sets — Lyons Furn. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Termath are laying the foundation for their new home in Morongo. Mr. Termath has retired after 39 years with Cherry Burrell Company.

Mrs. Ray Carter is spending this week in Los Angeles visiting friends.

MRS. Holliday Entertains Desert Community Club

Mrs. Holloway Entertains Desert Community Club

More than a score of Morongo Valley folks attended the meeting last week of the Desert Community Club at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell. Mrs. Ernest Holloway acted as hostess as Mrs. Maxwell was unexpectedly called to the city on business.

After the business session of the newly formed organization a social hour was enjoyed. Assisting Mrs. Holloway in serving refreshments was Mrs. William Hancock.

The Maxwell home was attractively decorated with spring flowers grown in Morongo.

"Elect Dana" Club Formed Here

One of the first groups to become actively interested in the coming political campaigns was formed last week by esveral Joshua Tree citizens. An informal meeting at which plans were started to work for the election of Ross Dana of Big Bear Lake to the County Board of Supervisors was attended by John L. Duncan, real estate broker and candidate for Morongo School Board, R. K. Fields, retired Navy officer, Charles Mitchell, Townsite Company manager, and Gerald McMillen, Journal editor.

A speaker at the last Chamber of Commerce meeting, Dana impressed favorably the members who heard him. It is expected that many similiar groups will be formed in Yucca Valley, Morongo, Pioneertown and 29 Palms.

Palm Springs Boosts Races

Following the neighborly example of Mrs. Nellie Coffman who entertained Margret Bair and Mildred Jaffe for three days many Palm Springs merchants showed keen interest in the Women's Club lot award and the Joshua Tree Turtle Races. Mrs. Coffman permitted the visitors to have a table at the entrance to the Desert Inn dining room for the furtherance of their project.

Others who materially assisted the lot award were Warren Strebe, owner of the movie houses, Mr. Portney of the Cork 'n Bottle, Ruth Hardy at Ingleside Inn, Mrs. Esther McGee of Wonder Palms, W. Walsh of La Quinta, Bob Levin at the Biltmore. Milton Hicks of Palm Springs Building Supply, and Manager Ballard of Bullocks who permitted the committee to appear at a sales meeting.

Many guests in Palm Springs contributed to the 81 ticket total the Joshuans accounted for.

For their kind sympathy and beautiful floral remembrances in the loss of our beloved wife and mother we extend thanks to our Joshua Tree friends.

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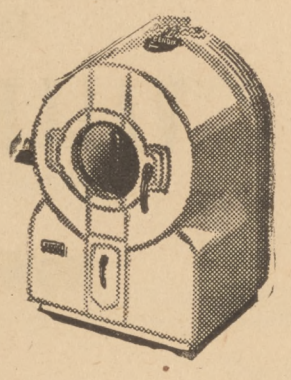
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ETO Vet Raises Turkey Dinners for Overseas GI's

Memories of long-delayed Christmas and New Year turkey dinners during the Battle of the Bulge and the conquest of Germany spur Bob Kroes, Sun Valley turkey raiser, to greater effort these days. Bob is now feeding 1000 broad breasted bronze birds that are slated for shipment to our troops in foreign ports this fall, according to marketing association officials. U. S. Army and Navy personnel will enjoy at least 10 tons of Sun Valley turkey on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Kroes is a veteran of General Hodges First Army that bore the brunt of Von Rundstedt's attack in December of 1944. Bob, along with a million other veterans of the Bulge. missed a couple of turkey dinners that year. He knows what a holiday meal can do for the morale of the boys away from home. That's why he is sparing no effort to bring every one of his 8 week old poults to prime maturity about the 1st of September.

Just last week another 1000 day-old poults went into the Kroes brooder house at Sun Valley Acres near Joshua Tree. These, eventually, will adorn the festive tables of the families here at home. As Mother and Dad sit down to eat next Thanksgiving day they can be thankful that Johnny overseas is also enjoying Sun Valley turkey and all the fixin's. And Bob Kroes can be proud that he has done his bit to make life a little more pleasant for the defenders of Democracy.

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New Project Started on Hill Site

Grading began last week on a 2½ acre site at the junction of Sunburst Circle and Alturas Drive for Clyde C. Daugherty and Les McCandless of Santa Ana. They are planning to erect several cottages and duplex units at this desirable hillside location. Daugherty purchased the land several weeks ago from the Joshua Tree Townsite Company. Lafferty Brothers are preparing the site for the buildings which will be started within the next two or three weeks.

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Entry fee — 50c

3. YUCCA VALLEY TROT
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Entry fee — 50c

4. TWENTYNINE PALMS GALLOP
Even the "Lady" can be proud of this one — 29 entries.
Entry fee — 50c

5. SUN VALLEY STAMPEDE
Turtles or turkeys, it's a good bet either way.
Entry fee — 50c

6. JOSHUA TREE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SWEEPSTAKES.
The race of the year in the center of the Nation's health-bowl. Ten bucks added for this one.
Entry fee — $1.00

7. PIONEERTOWN SLIDE
Ride 'em, cowboy, and watch out for the whiskers.
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OUR ANNUAL CELEBRATION

All work and no play makes "jack" according to the paraphrasing of some celebrated wit, but what good is "jack" if we can't spend it for a little fun once in a while? Besides that, "life is real, life is earnest" and it will get you down if you let it. To add to the gayety of nations and to furnish a lot of fun for a lot of people the citizens of Joshua Tree stage the Annual Grand National Turtle Race Sweepstakes along about the first Sunday in May.

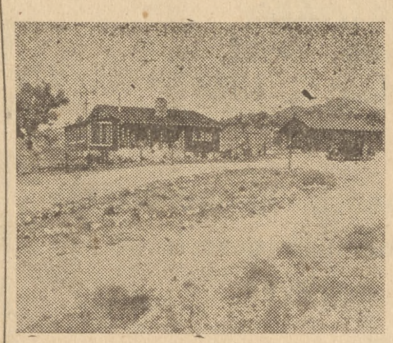
The first Races were managed and directed largely by Stewart Gear, former editor of the Journal and Secretary to the Chamber of Commerce. Since then the Chamber has taken the project under its wing as a means of acquainting many visitors with the benefits of life in Joshua Tree and this great desert area.

Most of the civic organizations assist in the promotion as do many private citizens. One charming lady in particular deserves our thanks for her assistance and encouragement that she gives to our endeavor. We appreciate the good offices of Mrs. Nellie Coffman of Palm Springs, a real booster for this new community if we ever saw one.

This year a great deal of planning and hard work has been expended in the attempt to make the Turtle Races an outstanding event. Chamber members and business firms have personally underwritten the expense of the undertaking. Naturally, it is expected that some financial benefit will derive for all organizations. But, primarily the Chamber of Commerce wants every business in town to gain something from the Races. And it is hoped that many strangers will experience the lure of the desert and choose to find a home here in the center of the nation's health bowl.

Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON



THE JOSHUAS

It is early Sunday morning and while the "Cameo Hour of Music" is coming in over the radio I am enjoying my last cup of breakfast coffee out on the porch. No where have I seen a more peaceful spring morning; the only sad tone in the entire picture is the wailing cry of a lone quail as he roams through the shrubbery vainly searching for his mate.

It seems that every bird in this part of Yucca Valley has enjoyed the water in our bird-baths; and still they are coming! These little friends express their gratitude in song and cheerful chatter. Gorgeous yellow and orange poppies mingle with brilliant blue Canterbury bells in the enclosure, while beyond the gate the cacti have begun to bloom. An Indian paint offers its quota of flaming red brushes, and the little canyons back of my cabin are gay with yellow flowers.

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From Joshua Tree good desert roads lead to many spots of scenic, scientific and historical interest; a veritable happy hunting ground for the artist, photographer and rock hound. Here is the western gateway to the Joshua Tree National Monument with its Wonderland of Rocks, Hidden and Lost Horse Valleys, Inspiration Point and countless natural beauty spots.

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Keller Declares For Congress

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ation from law school; close association with state and county legislative bodies; extensive travel in Great Britain, Italy, North Africa, France, Southern Germany, Austria, Belgium, and Holland during the war in public relations work; serving as the paid secretary-manager of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce since 1946; and active participation in community activities and projects.

Congressional aspirant Keller resides with his wife, the former Francis Louise Carter, the daughter of a Nazarene minister, at 904 West 12th street in Lancaster. He has announced that he will be pleased to speak before any group in public assembly on his beliefs relative to the immediate problems facing the nation and the state of California, and more particularly, the 21st Congressional district.

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Occupy New Quarters

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elled interior. In back of the large reception room in front are two private offices and lavatory. Ceiling and walls are insulated and the floor is colorful "Hiola." Construction was started February 28th.

"We believe," said Lindberg, "in the permanence and advancement of Joshua Tree and vicinity as a very healthful and delightful place in which to live, work and play. We have built what we hope will be a welcome addition to the many fine buildings here".

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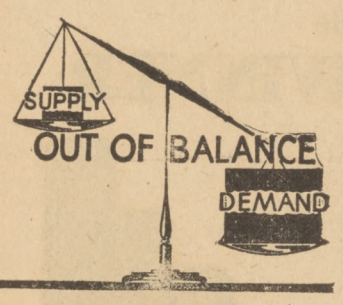

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Recently elected new officers of the Joshua Tree PTA were installed at the regular meeting last Tuesday at the School Building. Mrs. June Zimmer, past president of the 29 Palms PTA, was the installing officer. She was accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Lekstrom.

During the ensuing business session it was decided to follow District and State directives in the continuation of a recreation program here. Participation in the Turtle Race Sweepstakes was discussed. The PTA booth will sell lemonade, pop corn balls and souvenir turtles.

Shown as examples of the type motion pictures used as teaching aids were the films "Family Teamwork" and "Nature Camouflage."

Members who attended the Fifth District Council Meeting at 29 Palms on April 16th were Mrs. Florence Hover, Mrs. Nellie Decker. Mrs. Melbrey Papendick, Mrs. Florence Wheeler. Mrs. Helen McNeill. Mrs. Fern Bryant. Mrs. Josephine Beard, and Mrs. Vesta Lafferty.

Refreshments after the installation and business meeting were served by Mrs. Ruth Fletcher, Mrs. Florence Wheeler and Mrs. Mayme Delaney.

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Rebuilt and redecorated since the fire of March 26th Sam's Sport Center and Character Room was opened to the public via the front door last Saturday night. This popular 29 Palms nitery will feature, says Sam Marks, proprietor, "one of the finest bars in California." The new 42 foot bar is leather trimmed as are the walls of the dining and dancing space. The new ceiling is of knotty pine.

A new feature will be a large dining room in which meals will be served daily. In the evening music for dancing and entertainment will be provided by Penny Mills and Barbara Michels. The gala official opening is scheduled for Saturday, May 1st.

Desert Masons Will Fete Ladies

Invitations to the first annual ladies night have been sent to members by the Desert Masonic Club. A dinner is planned for 7 p.m. at the Smoke Tree Broiler in 29 Palms on Friday, April 30th, with entertainment and dancing to follow.

The Club is conposed of members residing in the desert area along the 29 Palms Hiway and in the Joshua Tree National Monument. There are now 76 members. Ray Moore of Joshua Tree is president and R. K. Fields one of the directors.

Writer Hears Own Air Show Here

While visiting her kinfolk in Joshua Tree Katherine Grattan, Los Angeles radio author, heard one of her own productions aired over KNX last Thursday night. A phone call from her husband apprised Mrs. Grattan that "They Called the Lady Bessie" had just started over the air for the First Nighter program. It had been scheduled for a later date next week.

Mrs. Grattan and her mother, Mrs. Lola McMillen, were spending several days at the home of the Gerald McMillens. Before going into radio scripting Katherine Grattan had sold several short stories. Other radio programs of hers have been heard on the same First Nighter show and the Dr. Christian show.

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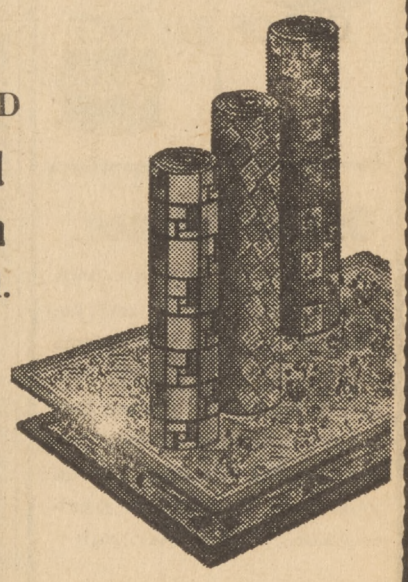

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Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

Dr. D. C. Williams read the 37th Psalm. His very inspiring sermon was based on the beautiful Psal mof David.

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Seeks Re-election

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"I have definitely been insistent upon adequate military preparedness comparable with international situations as indicated by Russia's efforts to communize the the world.

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Turtle Races

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about the rapidly growing turkey industry may be obtained. Here will be dsiplayed the giant 46 pound turkey of A. W. Wallace. The Whitehorn Ranch will occupy a booth and furnish information on their desert properties. And for the fans who like not the uncertainties of the race track the Chamber of Commerce has arranged two booths for certain games of skill and fun.

William Roth, artistic sign painter, prepared a huge board telling the world that HERE is the spot where the Turtle Races take place. It was erected just west of town by Sam Lafferty and John Duncan. They also have charge of the listing of accomodations for visitors and will officiate at the C of C booth. K. L. Williams will have charge of entries for each race and the awarding of prize money. Bob Fields and Bob Kroes, assisted by at least six others will officiate as. starters and judges Here are the official rules for contestants

1. All entries must be made and fees paid before entering race course.
3. Owners or jockeys will hold their turtle BEHIND the starting line.
3. No pushing, kicking or other unfair means will be allowed when the starting signal is given.
4. Immediately the turtles are released, everyone will leave the starting circle and go beyond the finish line. Any aid to or interference with a competing turtle will result in disqualification of the interfering person's entry.
5. No manner of abuse or cruelty to turtles will be tolerated. Owners or jockies observed mistreating their turtles will be barred from further participation.
6. Impartial judges will be on hand to indicate and pick up the winning turtles. The decision of the judges will be final.
7. All turtles must be given their liberty within 24 hours after the races.

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A special feature of the Women's Club participation will be the awarding of a large view residence lot in Joshua Tree to some fortunate donor. Margret Bair and Mildred Jaffe have been largely instrumental in obtaining the donors for this project.

Building of the concession booths is under the skilled management of Guy Peterson and R. E. Stacey. B. B. Wilds and Charley Mitchell are the Ways and Means and Program directors who pick up all the loose ends

For the convenience of tired youngsters and weary adult's rest areas with chairs, tables and shade have been prepared. In case the excitment of a photo finish in one of the races proves too much for an onlooker the Joshua Tree Ambulance will be at hand.

A complete program of races and entry fees is published on page 5.

Watch for the Opening of Yucca Valley Liquor Store

Asphalt Tile — Lyons Furn. Co.

29 Palms Theatre
Thurs:-Fri. April 29-30
"ANGEL AND THE BADMAN"
John Wayne — Gail Russell
Sat. (Mat. and Eve.) May 1
"WINTER WONDERLAND"
Lynn Roberts—Charles Drake
Sun., Mon. May 2-3
"SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY"
Danny Kaye
Tues., Wed. May 4-5
"THE SIGN OF THE RAM"

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Statement of Condition at Close of Business
April 12, 1948

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	$29,744,240.01
U. S. Government Bonds	28,745,118.58
Other Bonds and Securities	5,825,710.96
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	81,000.00
Banking Presimes	237,534.89
Furniture and Fixtures	117,497.74
Real Estate Owned	None
Cash and Due from Banks	15,224,073.91
Total	$79,975,176.09

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$1,500,000.00
Surplus	1,200,000.00
Undivided Profits	798,996.54
Reserves for Contingencies	244,229.17
Deposits	76,231,950.38
Total	$79,975,176.09

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